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RCHA Heritage Newsletter- November 2016

Editor's Note:

This is a solemn month as we remember those who fought for us and our country. Please wear a poppy in honor and remembrance of the brave, the strong and the fallen. There will be a Remembrance Day Ceremony at City Park led by Lt. Col. (Ret.) Bob Chamberlain on Friday November 11, 2016 with a reception and live music at the RCHA Club, following the ceremony.



In Other News:

We are nearing the end of another great year! With this also comes an end to my volunteer editorial work for the RCHA Heritage Newsletter. My last Newsletter will be in December. This position will be open for a new volunteer to take my place. If you are interested in preparing and editing a monthly Newsletter for the RCHA, please let me know by email: susan17.edgecombe@gmail.com or by letting the staff at the club know.

Susie Edgecombe, Editor

Chair's Message:

Well, after a long, hot and dry Summer, the Fall has come on with a big splash...that is lots of water!

The premises of the Club keeps improving and folks are taking advantage of the newly renovated 2nd floor. It is available for rent and with the holiday season approaching, I ask that you consider holding your functions there.

Nov. 11 is approaching and I encourage everyone to attend the ceremony at the RCHA National Memorial at City Park that morning and attend the club rooms afterwards. The ceremony is well organized by Lt. Col. (ret.) Bob Chamberlain and I have to thank him once again for taking on this responsibility. He has done an outstanding job for a number of years and the ceremony has grown to be one of the largest in Kingston! See you on Nov. 11th!

Ken Edgecombe, Chair of the Board

Membership Brief:

A warm welcome to new members Bill Grouchy and Wilfred Johnston who have joined the RCHA since the last newsletter.

The final numbers for the 2015-16 membership year are: Honorary 22: Life 15: Active 68: Associate 70: Corporate – 5.

The 2016-17 Membership renewal campaign is going well with at least 71 members taking advantage of the early bird special of \$75. The fees are \$100 as of November 1.

Congratulations to Bob Woods, who was the first to renew for 2016-17. We also welcomed back several members who's memberships had lapsed - thank you for supporting us. Many thanks also to those who also contributed to the Capital Improvement Fund with a current total of \$1075.

The following Active Membership applications were approved: Robin Gillespie, Pat Gray, Bill & Cathy Sheppard, & Mark Whyman.

We encourage Associates to apply for active/voting membership after 2 years (military 1 year). Forms available in the document box.

At the General Meeting on October 24, Bill Amodeo, manager of the Gananoque Golf & Country Club, offered a members' benefit of a 25% discount on green fees - thank you Bill.

Sincere condolences are sent to the family of members Peter McCoy & Jim Kenney who died recently.

Thank you to the membership committee, Kevin Bleeks, Sharon McLaughlin, Gord Brown and Cathy Sheppard who are always willing to assist in a variety of ways.

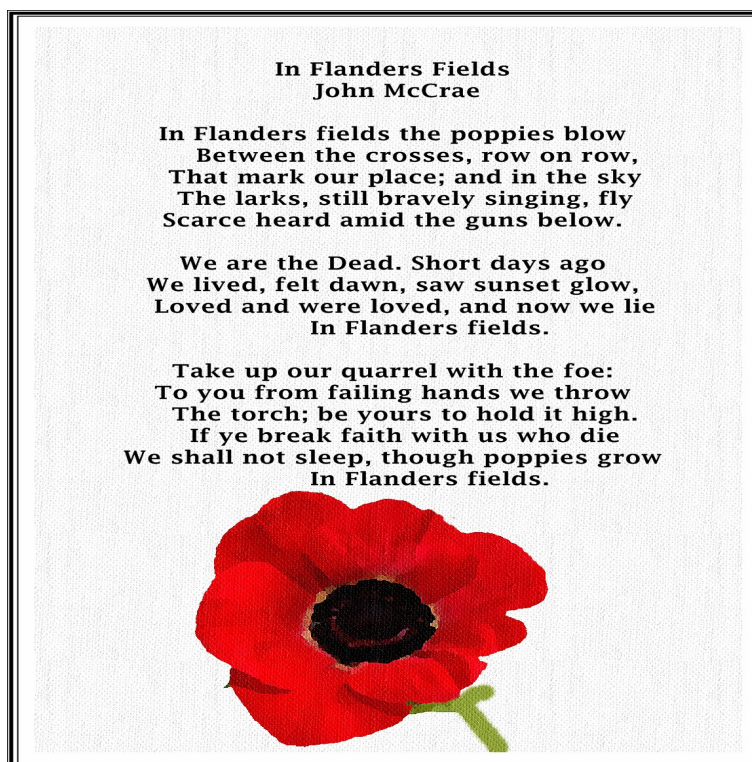
Carol Whyman, Chair of Membership

Entertainment Brief:

We have a full calendar of events for entertainment this month. Rewind, a great new band brings their covers of classic pop on Fri Nov 4th. We have 3 KBS shows featuring some of the best bands in Canada & internationally. London based Soulstack (sold out last time they were at the club), are performing on Sat. Nov. 5. We have International blues stars J. W. Jones on the 19th & Jerome Godboo with Shawn Kellerman & Eri Schenkman of the Spindoctors on Nov25th. Michael K. Myers takes the stage with The Bobby Show Sat. Nov. 12 & Sun. Nov. 13th. Music from the 50's -60's celebrating all the famous Bobby's Vinton, Darin, Curtola etc. Also I would like to ask members to please contribute to the capital fund when they renew their membership to allow us to install our walk-in cooler.

Frank Warnica, Chair of Entertainment

Poem of the Month:



This Month: (Please see the “Calendar of Events” for November 2016 on the rcha website: www.rcha.ca or pick up a hard copy at the club, on the 2nd and 3rd floors.)



Featured Article of the Month:

"HOW DO WE HONOUR 'REMEMBRANCE DAY ?"

.....let me count the ways!

Compiled & written by Gaylan Fittsell & her Father, Bill Fittsell

- SAY HELLO to a Veteran
- SHAKE A HAND
- THANK a Veteran for his or her service
- SHARE a cup of coffee with a Veteran
- LISTEN to a Veteran's cherished story (ask to record it)
- BE A PROUD POPPY wearer
- DONATE generously in the name of a Veteran who is special to you
- INVITE a Veteran to your home for Tea or Lunch
- TREAT a Veteran to a drink at the RCHA
- INVITE a Veteran to speak to a school or gathering
- CONDUCT a Novel study
- MAKE HISTORY new to you by listening to one of the many personal recordings of vets available on the Web
- READ an Historic or Fiction Military Book
- SEND AN e-card to one of our many troops away from home
- PARTICIPATE IN REMEMBRANCE WEEK
- ATTEND REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES
- PERUSE RCHA "Right of the Line" an anecdotal history by Major G. D. Mitchell 1871
- WATCH 'HEROES REMEMBER" mini-series
- READ OUT LOUD the poem, "On Flanders Fields
- LEARN ABOUT its Author, Lieut Col John McCrae
- READ on-line editions of "Canada Remembers Times"

"DAY OF REMEMBRANCE"

Thursday, 10th November 2016 - Meet at Catarauqui Cemetery to take a shuttle bus to the Military Memorial Site at 10:30 am. Students from schools attending from Limestone & Algonquin Boards.

"RCHA REMEMBRANCE DAY"

Ceremony & Service at City Park – Friday, 11th November 2016 - King at Barrie Streets 11:00 am at RCHA Memorial.

RCHA open following for sharing and commemoration with live music by Michael K Myers.

OVER 100,000 Canadian Military Personnel lost their lives to protect you and Canada

LEST WE FORGET

